



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## CLAIMS BOARD

500 WEST TEMPLE STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012-2713

### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

John Naimo  
Auditor-Controller  
Laurie Milhiser  
Chief Executive Office  
Patrick A. Wu  
Office of the County Counsel

## NOTICE OF MEETING

The County of Los Angeles Claims Board will hold its regular meeting on **Monday, May 21, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.**, in the Executive Conference Room, 648 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California.

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.
3. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).

a. Claim of Ryan Dawson

This claim seeks compensation for damages to real and personal property allegedly caused by a sewer mainline blockage; settlement is recommended in the amount of \$58,000.

[See Supporting Documents](#)

b. Maria Hylla and David Hylla v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 452 399

This wrongful death lawsuit arises from a vehicle accident involving an employee of the Sheriff's Department; settlement is recommended in the amount of \$750,000.

[See Supporting Documents](#)

- c. Bonni Sue Schopp v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 459 222

This lawsuit arises from injuries sustained in a dog attack as a result of the alleged negligence on the part of the Department of Animal Care and Control; settlement is recommended in the amount of \$475,000.

**[See Supporting Documents](#)**

4. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.
5. Approval of the minutes of the May 7, 2012, regular meeting of the Claims Board.

**[See Supporting Document](#)**

6. Items not on the posted agenda, to be referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a further meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.
7. Adjournment.

## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Claim of Ryan Dawson
CASE NUMBER	N/A
COURT	N/A
DATE FILED	December 1, 2011
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Public Works – Sewer Maintenance District
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 58,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	None
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Brian T. Chu Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This non-litigated claim involves property damages arising from a sewer backup at the residence of Ryan Dawson located in the City of Agoura Hills. A County sewer crew investigated the complaint and found that wastewater from a sewer main line manhole entered the home due to a blockage in the sewer main line. The wastewater affected several rooms, including the master bedroom and bathroom, second bedroom and bathroom, and living room, and the associated floors and walls. The County crew rodded the mainline and relieved a stoppage created by tree roots. The sewer mainline is maintained by the</p>

County as part of the Consolidated  
Sewer Maintenance District.

Due to the inherent risks and  
uncertainties involved in a trial,  
and the potential liability and  
potential exposure to an adverse  
verdict, the County proceeded with  
settlement negotiations and was  
eventually able to develop this  
recommended settlement.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$	0
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PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$	0
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## Summary Corrective Action Plan

### County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works



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Claim(s):	Ryan Dawson
Date of incident/event:	November 19, 2011
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	<p>This is a sewage backup that occurred at 28965 Valley Heights Drive in the City of Agoura Hills. The effluent overflowed into various rooms of the residence and caused damage to the interior and personal property of the claimant.</p> <p>On the day of the incident, Sewer Maintenance Division received a service request concerning a sewage floodout at the claimant's residence. A sewer maintenance crew responded to the location and confirmed the existence of a main sewer line blockage. The sewer maintenance crew proceeded to rod the main sewer line between Manhole Nos. 237 and 238 along Valley Heights Drive to break down the blockage.</p> <p>Prior to contacting the County and the initiation of the Rapid Response Program, the claimant obtained the services of an outside vendor, PuroClean, to perform immediate clean up on his property.</p>

1. Briefly describe the root cause of the claim/lawsuit:

According to Sewer Maintenance Division, the sewer backup was primarily caused by a calcium buildup along with roots in the main sewer line. The main sewer line was last inspected on June 17, 2011, as part of the Preventive Maintenance Program. At the time, sewer flow conditions were observed to be normal.

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:  
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)



To prevent a reoccurrence of a floodout, the main sewer line was placed on a quarterly hydro periodic, and will remain on this schedule until it is no longer necessary as determined by sewer maintenance personnel. The main sewer line will also continue to be inspected semi-annually as part of the Preventive Maintenance Program.

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
Summary Corrective Action Plan

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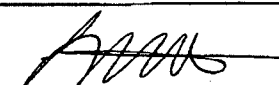
3. State if the corrective actions are applicable to only your department or other County departments:  
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- ☒ Does not appear to have Countywide or other department implications.

Signature: (Risk Management Coordinator)	Date:
Steven G. Steinhoff 	<sup>SGS</sup> 2-22-2012
Signature: (Director)	Date:
Gail Farber 	2-27-12.

YTL:psr   
P4:DAWSON SCAP1

**Chief Executive Office Risk Management Branch**

Name:	Date:
LEO COSTANTINO	
Signature:	Date:
	3/6/2012

## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Maria Hylla & David Hylla v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	BC452399
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	January 4, 2011
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 750,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Andrew L. Shapiro, Esq.
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Brian Stewart, Esq.  Brian T. Chu, Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	David and Maria Hylla filed this lawsuit involving an automobile accident that occurred on May 3, 2010, at approximately 2:20 a.m. which caused the death of their daughter, Lisa Hylla, age 25. Ms. Hylla was driving a compact vehicle, northbound on the Interstate-405 Freeway approaching the Devonshire Street exit. Ms. Hylla rear-ended a pickup truck, causing it to spin and come to rest between the number five and six traffic lanes. Ms. Hylla's disabled vehicle came to rest in the number one lane. Ms. Hylla exited her vehicle and

was standing or walking north of her vehicle. A minute later, a Sheriff's Deputy in a marked Sheriff's patrol unit, also traveling northbound in the number one lane, was momentarily distracted by the debris in the roadway and the pickup truck. The Deputy saw Ms. Hylla's vehicle ahead, but he was unable to take evasive action before colliding into the vehicle. The collision caused Ms. Hylla's vehicle to collide into her and cause fatal injuries.

The Hylla's filed suit, alleging that the Deputy negligently operated the patrol unit. The County denies that the accident was caused by the Deputy's negligence and contends that Ms. Hylla was comparatively negligent.

Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$750,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$	44,872
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$	8,061



Case Name: Maria Hylla and David Hylla v. County of Los Angeles



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Date of incident/event:	Monday, May 3, 2010; approximately 2:20 a.m.
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	<p><b><u>Maria Hylla and David Hylla v. County of Los Angeles</u></b> Summary Corrective Action Plan No. 2012-002</p> <p>On Monday, May 3, 2010, at approximately 2:20 a.m., a Los Angeles County deputy sheriff was driving a standard, black and white County-owned patrol vehicle north on Interstate 405 (San Diego Freeway), south of Devonshire Street, Los Angeles, when the vehicle he was driving collided with a stationary vehicle, darkened and disabled by a previous traffic collision. As a result of the second collision, the plaintiff's daughter was killed.</p>

1. Briefly describe the root cause(s) of the claim/lawsuit:

This incident was thoroughly investigated by representatives of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the California Highway Patrol (CHP). Their investigations concluded that the deputy sheriff caused the second traffic collision by violating California Vehicle Code section 22349 (a), Maximum Speed Limit.

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:  
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department had relevant policies and procedures/protocols in effect at the time of this incident.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's training curriculum addresses the circumstances which occurred in this incident.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's administrative review revealed employee misconduct. Appropriate administrative action was taken.

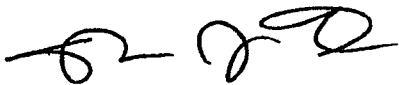
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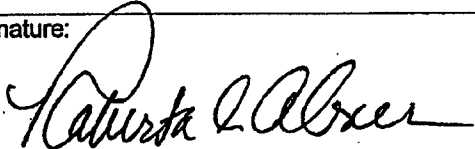
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**Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department**

Name: (Risk Management Coordinator)	
Shaun J. Mathers, Captain Risk Management Bureau	
Signature: 	Date: 4/2/12

Name: (Department Head)	
Roberta A. Abner, Chief Leadership and Training Division	
Signature: 	Date: 04/02/12

**Chief Executive Office Risk Management Branch**

Name: LEO COSTANTINO	
Signature: 	Date: 4/17/2012

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## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Bonni Sue Schopp v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	BC 459222
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court - North West District
DATE FILED	4/11/11
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Department of Animal Care and Control
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 475,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Thomas M. Bohl, Esq. Bohl, Nixon & Schoneman
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Diane C. Reagan
NATURE OF CASE	Plaintiff Bonni Sue Schopp ("Plaintiff") was seriously injured as a result of a vicious dog attack which occurred on August 23, 2010, at the Agoura shelter. The attack was the result of the alleged negligence of the Department of Animal Care and Control ("DACC") and Ms. Buxbaum ("Volunteer"), a volunteer at the shelter. The strict liability allegation was removed from the complaint following our successful demurrer, but the Plaintiff has plausible arguments for the remaining negligence and dangerous condition causes of action. The Plaintiff has had two surgeries on her arm to date.

Medical expenses are \$114,000 to date; there is also a \$10,000 loss of earnings to date. It is estimated that she will incur an additional \$50,000 or more for future surgeries related to the nerve damage in her arm, and to repair scarring. It is very probable she will continue to have pain, especially in her right forearm, for the balance of her life, with the only question being the level of that pain. Although surgery is included in the future medical expenses, the surgeon cannot guarantee he will be able to eliminate the neuromas and nerve entrapment which are causing that pain. She also has permanent sensory loss on the forearm, in addition to the pain. Those sequelae are from the severed nerves and scar tissue she developed due to the tearing bites, attempts at repair and healing. Also, because of the psychological problems caused by the traumatic attack, she has Post Traumatic Stress Disorder ("PTSD"), and she will require treatment for that, at least in the near term.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$	83,046.45
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$	3,717.76



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Date of incident/event:	August 23, 2010
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	The plaintiff was severely injured when she was bitten multiple times by a dog at the Agoura Hills Animal Care Center. The incident occurred in one of the "Get Acquainted" areas while the plaintiff was interacting with a dog she was considering for adoption. The dog had been extremely friendly with staff and volunteers up to this point and had shown no signs of aggression, even during a medical examination and before and after neuter surgery. After playing with the dog for some time with no problems, the plaintiff picked up a large ball and raised it over her head to throw for the dog. This triggered an attack by the dog.

1. Briefly describe the root cause(s) of the claim/lawsuit:

The root cause of this incident is the unpredictability of animals. The County does not know the circumstances under which the animals lived prior to coming to the animal care centers. The animals may have had histories of abuse or neglect, or may harbor phobias regarding certain triggers that cannot be anticipated by the County.

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:  
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)

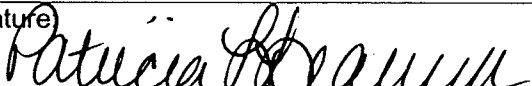
1. The Department has implemented the use of a Safety Information Acknowledgement form, which advises potential adopters interested in interacting with an animal about the unpredictability of animals; the unknown histories of the animals; physical movements to avoid; and the importance of monitoring child safety around animals. The form is in its pilot stage at one animal care center while being printed and should be fully implemented at all care centers


by May 1, 2012.

2. The Department is in the process of installing signs on every Get Acquainted area with the same cautionary language in item 1 above. This will be completed by May 1, 2012.
3. The Department is purchasing dog bite intervention tools to be placed in every Get Acquainted area. These tools include animal capture poles, panels to insert between biting dogs and a victim, fire extinguishers to spray on biting dogs, and air horns to startle biting dogs as well as summon assistance. These will be purchased and installed by June 1, 2012.
4. The Department removed all toys from the Get Acquainted areas on August 24, 2011.

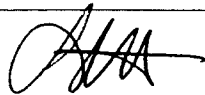
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Name: (Risk Management Coordinator) Patricia Learned	
Signature: 	Date: 4/16/12

Name: (Department Head) Marcia Mayeda	
Signature: 	Date: 4/16/12

**Chief Executive Office Risk Management**

Name: LEO COSTANTINO	
Signature: 	Date: 4/5/2012



# Corrective Action Plan

## 1. General Information

Date CAP document prepared:	4/3/12
Department:	Animal Care and Control
Name of departmental contact person:	Patricia Learned
• title:	Executive Assistant
• phone number:	(562) 256-1362
• e-mail:	plearned@animalcare.lacounty.gov

## 2. Incident/Event Specific Information

Date of incident/event:	August 23, 2010
Location of incident/event:	Agoura Animal Care Center - Dog "Get Acquainted" yard
Event contact person:	Patricia Learned
• phone:	(562) 256-1362
• e-mail:	<u>plearned@animalcare.lacounty.gov</u>
Claim adjuster: (Third Party Administrator or County Counsel)	Diane Reagan, Principal Deputy County Counsel
• phone number:	(213) 974-1868
If claim is in litigation, please complete the following:	
County Counsel Attorney:	Diane Reagan
• phone number:	(213) 974-1868

### 3. Incident/Event Description:

Nature of incident/event:	The plaintiff was severely injured when she was bitten multiple times by a dog at the Agoura Hills Animal Care Center. The incident occurred in the "Get Acquainted" area while interacting with a dog the plaintiff was considering for adoption.
Provide a brief description of the incident/event:	The plaintiff visited the animal care shelter to adopt a dog. She chose a Boxer mix dog named "Bobby" with which she wanted to interact in consideration of adoption. A department volunteer removed Bobby from his kennel run and brought him to a "Get Acquainted" area, a fenced play yard where potential adopters can interact with dogs they may wish to adopt. Bobby was responsive to the volunteer and well-mannered when being walked to the area. After entering the area with the dog, the plaintiff and the dog initially interacted very well. After playing with Bobby for several minutes, the plaintiff took a large ball and raised it over her head to throw. This action triggered an immediate and aggressive attack by Bobby, causing severe injuries to the plaintiff. A staff member entered the play yard and began kicking the dog to stop the attack, while the volunteer grabbed a high pressure hose to spray the dog. This ended the attack and the plaintiff was able to escape the yard. Paramedics were called and the plaintiff was transported to the hospital for treatment.

- ☐ Include a copy of the supervisor's first report of incident (or related accident, event or incident investigation documentation).

### 4. Corrective Action Plan Problem Statement

As part of its mission, the Department is charged with finding new homes for unwanted animals. However, many animals at the shelters arrive as strays and the Department has no history or background regarding their upbringing, training, temperament or medical history. Even owners who surrender their pets may not be completely truthful about the pets' behavior, medical status or other information helpful in evaluating the animals' suitability for adoption.



As part of fulfilling the mission of finding new homes for the animals, potential adopters wish to spend time with an animal they are considering for adoption to ensure that the animal is a good fit for their family, prior to the adoption. In response to this need, "get acquainted areas" have been constructed at all Department animal care centers which enable adopters to spend some time with the dog that they are interested in adopting in a quieter area away from the other dogs.

## 5. Root Cause Analysis

Root Cause Analysis tool used:	Investigation.
Incident/event root causes:	The root cause of this incident is the unpredictability of animals. The County does not know the circumstances under which the animals lived prior to coming to the animal care centers. The animals may have had histories of abuse or neglect, or may harbor phobias regarding certain triggers that cannot be known or anticipated by the County.

- ☐ Include a copy of the Root Cause Analysis tool utilized (or related Root Cause Analysis documentation).

## 6. Corrective Action Plan Steps

Task number:	1
Task name:	Removal of Toys from Get Acquainted Areas
System issue:	<input type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equipment Personnel
Schedule start date:	August 24, 2011
Schedule completion date:	August 24, 2011

Responsible person:	Marcia Mayeda Director
Task description:	“Resource guarding” is known behavior among dogs where they will “guard” a toy or other object that the dog perceives as having value, perhaps growling or snapping if someone approaches them when they have possession of the object. Although it doesn’t appear that the dog in the present case was “guarding” an object, since an object was involved, to avoid the potential of an incident as a result of this behavior, the Department director ordered all toys be removed from Get Acquainted areas when members of the public are in those areas with dogs.

Task number:	2
Task name:	Safety Information Acknowledgement Form
System issue:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel
Schedule start date:	9/26/11
Schedule completion date:	5/1/12
Responsible person:	Patricia Learned Executive Assistant <i>(in conjunction with Derek Brown and Aaron Reyes, Deputy Directors of Operations)</i>
Task description:	A Safety Information Acknowledgement Form has been developed. The purpose of the Form is for potential adopters to read, understand, and acknowledge the unpredictability of animals; that the County does not know the animals’ history; movements and

	behaviors that people should avoid making around animals; and the importance of monitoring children around animals. All potential adopters that wish to interact with an animal will be required to read and sign these forms. The form is in its pilot stage at one animal care center while it is being printed, with full implementation at all animal care centers expected by May 1, 2012.
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Task number:	3
Task name:	Safety Information Signs
System issue:	<input type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel
Schedule start date:	February 1, 2012
Schedule completion date:	May 1, 2012
Responsible person:	Patricia Learned Executive Assistant
Task description:	<p>Safety Information Signs have been designed and fabricated. These signs will be mounted on every Get Acquainted area, advising potential adopters about the unpredictability of animals; that the County does not know the animals' history; movements that people should avoid making around animals; and the importance of monitoring children around animals. These signs will again warn people interested in interacting with potential pets in the Get Acquainted yards about the unpredictability of animals.</p>



Task number:	4
Task name:	Dog Bite Intervention Tools

System issue:	<input type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel
Schedule start date:	4/2/12
Schedule completion date:	6/1/12
Responsible person:	Gary Pecorelli Warehouse Manager / Procurement
Task description:	<p>The department will purchase and install several tools in every Get Acquainted yard, Department-wide, that can be immediately available to intervene should a dog bite occur. These tools will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. "Breaking Boards". These are 3' x 3' square aluminum panels that can be used to insert between a biting dog and a person, so the bite will be halted and the dog can be placed under physical restraint.</li><li>b. "Catch Poles". These are animal control devices used to restrain dogs. They are composed of a metal pole with a loop at the end.</li><li>c. Fire extinguishers. These will be used to startle a dog in the process of biting, to divert its attention from the bite, and release its grasp, allowing a staff member or volunteer to regain control of the dog.</li><li>d. Air horns. These will be used to startle a dog in the process of biting, to divert its attention from the bite. They will also be used to summon assistance from other staff.</li></ul>

\* If additional task sheets are needed; cut and paste the above table, as needed. If necessary, delete unused Corrective Action Plan Step tables.

## 7. Review and Authorization

The department has reviewed the incident/event investigation, Root Cause Analysis documentation and Corrective Action Plan and has taken all appropriate corrective actions required.

Review and authorization steps:	Signature:	Date:
Document reviewed by department Risk Management Coordinator:		4/17/12
Document reviewed by department head or designee.		4/17/12

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CLAIMS BOARD**

## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

**May 7, 2012**

### **1. Call to Order.**

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Claims Board was called to order at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held in the Executive Conference Room, 648 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California.

Claims Board Members present at the meeting were: John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu.

Other persons in attendance at the meeting were: Office of the County Counsel: Brian Chu, Robert Ragland, Richard Mason, Vicki Kozikoujekian, Lauren Black, Takin Khorram, and Millicent Rolon; Department of Public Works: Niall Moynihan; Sheriff's Department: Glen Dragovich, Bryan Hirata, Nick Teophilov, Rita C. Dineros and Lynne Hughes; Department of Health Services: Eva Mora-Guillen and Kim McKenzie; Department of Children and Family Services: Michelle Victor and Beth Minor; Probation Department: Tracy Jordon-Johnson; Outside Counsel: Daniel Barer, and Clayton Averbuck.

### **2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.**

No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.

### **3. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).**

At 9:30 a.m., the Chairperson adjourned the meeting into Closed Session to discuss the items listed as 4(a) through 4(f) below.

### **4. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.**

At 11:39 a.m., the Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in Closed Session as follows:

#### **a. Lianna Avetisyan, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al. Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 396 962**

This alleged dangerous condition, wrongful death lawsuit arises from an automobile accident on a County road.

#### **Action Taken:**

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$190,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 – John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser and Patrick Wu

**b. Saint Francis Medical Center v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 451 808**

This lawsuit concerns claims of reimbursement for medical care costs provided by Saint Francis Medical Center.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$275,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 - John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu

**c. Arthur Lerille, Jr., et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. KC 059 580**

This lawsuit arises from injuries sustained in a vehicle accident involving an employee of the Sheriff's Department.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$525,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 - John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu

**d. Monique Lynch, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
United States District Court Case No. CV 10-01441**

This lawsuit arises out of the alleged wrongful detention of a minor by the Department of Children and Family Services, including allegations of harassment against the plaintiffs.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$100,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 - John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu

e. **Laura Moreno v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**  
**United States District Court Case No. CV 10-9706**

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault by a Los Angeles County Office of Public Safety Officer.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$250,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 - John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu

f. **Alyssia Frenzel v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**  
**Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 432 895**

This lawsuit concerns allegations of State and federal civil rights violations, negligence, and failure to furnish medical care to a minor under the supervision of the Probation Department.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$161,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 - John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu

5. **Approval of the minutes of the April 16, 2012, regular meeting of the Claims Board.**

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved the minutes.

Vote: Ayes: 3 - John Naimo, Laurie Milhiser, and Patrick Wu

6. **Items not on the posted agenda, to be referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a further meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.**

No such matters were discussed.



**7. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CLAIMS BOARD

By Carol J. Slosson  
Carol J. Slosson